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2. Air Force Headquarters in NOWY-DWOR

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1. The KROCZEW (R 53/K 71) airfield, northwest of MODLIN (R 53/K 71), immediately west of the road to PLONSK (R 53/K 53), was unoccupied.
2. The two demolished 5,800-foot runways which formed a right angle, were not reconditioned
3. It was observed that aircraft stationed at the MODLIN airfield landed regularly at the sodded and utilized section of the landing field.
4. The former German MODLIN airfield west of town, north of the MODLIN fort and the road to PLONSK.
5. About 50 fighters of Soviet make with which formation flying was practiced were parked on the edges of the field. Parachute jumping over the field was observed.
6. Five cantonment buildings, each 130 x 35 feet, were constructed along the airfield border in the middle of 1948.
7. A stationary radio truck, presumably a DF station, was in the center of the field.
8. The flying and ground personnel were quartered in the NOWY-DWOR (R 53/K 81) Air Force Headquarters buildings.
9. The NOWY-DWOR Air Force Headquarters, east of MODLIN, numbered about 500 EM. Soviet Col LISHETTSKY was the CO to whom two Soviet engineers were assigned.

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10. The BM were quartered in four three-story barracks buildings, the officers in two similar buildings, each 33 x 130 feet. The 40 x 115-foot cantonment building was occupied by 14 PWs, Polish radio operators, messengers and clerks. Nearby there was a radio tower, 50 feet high.
11. The 1585th Air Force Headquarters was in contact with all Polish airfields.

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Comments:

a. The reported location of the KROCZEWO airfield agrees with available wartime records. No data on the field has so far been received since World War II. The field was apparently utilized by the MODLIN fighter unit in 1948.

b. The reported location of the MODLIN airfield is correct. 25X1A
The occupation by fighters was confirmed [] in the Summer of 1949 *.

c. The numerical designation of the air force headquarters in NOWY-DWOR cannot be given as it is reported for the first time. Col LISHETTSKY, reportedly CO of this headquarters, is unknown but possibly is Stanislaw LISIECKI, CO of fighter units at the WARSAW aerial review on 1 May 1949.

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